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Career intelligence officer named as deputy CIA chief

Washington

President Reagan has named career intelligence officer Robert M. Gates as the Central Intelligence Agency's deputy director, replacing John McMahon, who resigned "for personal reasons."

Mr. McMahon's resignation, announced by the White House late Tuesday, was met with approval by two conservative lobbying groups that blame him for holding up supplies of better weaponry to the anticommunist resistance in Afghanistan.



McMahon

The Washington Post quoted sources as saying McMahon had conflicts with the Reagan administration over escalating US covert operations in the third world.